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In re Patent Application of:  
Donald L. Yates

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For: METHOD OF REDUCING SURFACE  
CONTAMINATION IN  
SEMICONDUCTOR WET-PROCESSING  
VESSELS

**AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 18, 2001 (Paper No. 18), please amend the above-identified U.S. Patent application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 4, 16, 48-51, 53-57, 59 and 60.

Please add the following new claims:

--61. (new) A method for removing surface contaminants from an air/liquid interface of a semiconductor processing bath for processing semiconductor wafers, said method comprising:

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